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As anticipated, the Masquerade Ball, held on Friday last in the Grand Theatre was most successful. The pleasing array of costumes, good music, fine weather and sociability of the large crowd (numbering almost four hundred) would not allow of any other conclusion. Mr. E. J. Nielson, floor manager, kept the crowd contentedly dancing merrily. The judges' decisions in awarding prizes were accepted favorably by all present. Starting promptly after the show at 9:30 p.m. the dance continued until 5 a.m. the following morning.

A number of very good costumes were in evidence. The judges' task of choosing the separate bests was not easy. Dr. Aston, as Primitive Man, created a stir among those present in the hall on his entrance. Both his appearance and his disguise were good. He was awarded a special prize. A Trail, sent dressed as John Bull, was unanimously conceded to be most deserving of the prize awarded for best representation of any of the Entente Allies. Special prizes were also given to G. Grey, as Uncle Sam and Perdita York, as The Georgian Girl. The following is a complete list of prize winners:

Ladies Fancy Costumes—1st, Oriental Girl, Miss Reedy; 2nd, Spanish Senorita, Mrs. E. E. Higgins; 3rd, Mrs. S. F. Ford.

Gentlemen's Fancy Costumes—1st, Louis XVI, Perry Bishop; 2nd, Gen. Washington, J. McNeill; 3rd, Louis XIV, E. Sparrow.

Ladies Comic Costumes—Old Gentlewoman, Mrs. D. McArthur; 2nd, Peppercorn, Mrs. R. M. Henderson; 3rd, Indian Girl, Eva Clark.

Gentlemen's Comic Costumes—Lady Dinky, D. McArthur; 2nd, Nigger, Horace Shannon; 3rd, Jiggs, W. C. Boyd.

Special—best representation Entente Allies—John Bull, S. Trail, sen. Uncle Sam, G. Grey; The Canadian Girl, Perdita York. Primitive Man, Dr. Aston. Judges—Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Macmillan, Mrs. E. J. Nielson, Mr. R. M. Henderson, Mr. F. Bedford.

The proprietors of the "Express" sincerely thank the judges, floor manager and all others who so kindly helped to make the dance such a big success in every way. The net amount realised over expenses is \$122.50, which money is now in the bank in a trust fund. On the establishment here of a local branch of the Great War Veterans Association, this money will be turned over to them. A branch is now in process of formation. A full financial statement of the receipts and expenditures will be published in the next issue of the "Express."

FLAX BINDER TWINE

The Flax Fibre Development Association of Regina, Sask., announces that it has discovered a process for manufacturing flax straw into binder twine and yarns for weaving into heavy sackings and towelling. Heretofore the flax straw of the three western provinces, amounting to over 1,000,000 tons annually, has been burned after threshing.

It is said that the experiments carried out this Autumn with the new binder twine showed that it bound 90 per cent of the sheaves perfectly, a better result than was obtained with steel twine. A co-operative company is being formed to manufacture the new twine.

A Canadian Government car from Regina, Alta., on the G.T.P., carried 2063 bushels of No. 2 wheat, amounting in value to \$4,195 a remarkable figure and a record.

Send Thanks For Contribution To Halifax Relief Fund

R. M. Henderson, Esq.,
Sec.-Treas., Empress School Dist.
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Dear Sir:

The Relief Committee, acting for the citizens of Halifax generally, has asked me to especially acknowledge receipt of your exceedingly generous contribution of One Hundred and Twenty-six and 20-100 Dollars, towards relief of sufferers here.

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Empress Agricultural Society

Notice of Meeting


A business meeting of the board of directors of the Empress Agricultural Society will be held on Saturday, Feb. 23, 1918, at 2 p.m. The matter of holding a summer fair along with other important subjects pertaining to the welfare of the society will be dealt with. Every

director is requested, and every member is invited to attend this meeting. If you are not a member of this society, become

one at once, and give your help to make the association a successful one.—Garry S. Tucker, Secretary-Treasurer.

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THURSDAY, FEB. 14th, 1918

Supply of Screenings Interrupted

The Department of Agriculture for Alberta has been facilitating the distribution of available cheap food for hogs and other animals by receiving and forwarding applications for screenings purchased by the Federal Live Stock Branch from the elevators and supplied to the farmers and associations at cost.

Announcement has been made to the Provincial Dept. of Agriculture that the demand is such that the present supply is exhausted and that it will not likely to fill new orders for a period of six weeks.

I have a party who wishes to buy a half section of land and trade a nice house and lot in Empress on same. Any person having land, that would be willing to deal in this way, write to or call on John Cusack

UNITED CHURCH

Rev. G. G. Pryor, B.A., Pastor

Services Sunday, February 17th, in the Grand Theater. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class, 2:30 p.m. Regular preaching service, 7:30 p.m. You are cordially invited to these services.

LENDING AT A LOSS

A despatch from Winnipeg states that complications have developed in the Department of Farm Loans, established about a year ago by the Manitoba Government. About \$1,500,000 has been loaned at 6 per cent. and the Government is now paying well over 6 per cent. for money. This means that latterly the farm loan business has been done at a loss. It is said that the Cabinet has discussed the problem from every angle but can find no solution, and meanwhile money is still being lent to the farmers at 6 per cent.

Typewriters, typewriter supplies, counter check books, all kinds of printed and commercial stationery, etc.; call or write us—The Empress Express

Canada's Wheat Crop

It is estimated that Canada's wheat crop last year, including the yield in the West and Ontario wheat, was about 215,000,000 bushels. A careful survey has shown that, on Dec. 1st, in addition to seed requirements, the amount of Canadian wheat on this side of the Atlantic was about 112,500,000 bushels, of which, 8,500,000 bushels were in the United States en route to the Allies. This estimate included a considerable amount of wheat still in the farmers' hand.

We have in our office a piece of metal from the munition ship, Mont Blanc, which exploded in Halifax harbor. This piece of steel weighs nearly two pounds and was taken from the neck of a horse which was a mile away at the time of the accident. The horse recovered.—Our Dumb Animals.

There is a new meaning for the familiar "S.O.S." signal. The letters now stand for another imperative command, "Save or Starve."

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The United States enters the new year with a national debt of \$5,015,000,000 more than five times greater than when it entered the war nine months ago, but only one-third of the debt which promises to develop by the first of next year. The debt per capita is about \$81 and the percentage of debt to estimated national wealth is 24 per cent.

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ANOTHER WEEK OF MONEY SAVING VALUES

Prices Good Until February 21st, for CASH

Pork and Beans, in tomato sauce	2 cans for	.45
Baking Powder, Egg-o, 1lb. cans	2 cans for	.55
Our Own Brand Baking Powder	5lb. can for	\$1.00
Potatoes, B.C.	Per bushel	1.75
Sweet Pickles, gallon crocks		1.75
Jelly Powders	Per pckge.	.10
Black Pepper, pure	per pound	.45
White Pepper	" "	.55
Baking Chocolates	" "	.45
Rock Salt	per cwt.	2.50
Coffee	3 pounds for	1.00
Conner's Herrings in Tomato Sauce	2 cans for	.45
St. Charles Tall Milk	7 cans for	1.00
Peanut Butter	5lb. cans for	1.75
Prunes	2lbs. for	.35
Seeded Raisins	2 pckgs for	.25
Loganberries	per pound	.60
Pumpkins	2 cans for	.45
Dill Pickles	gallon jars	1.50
Lombard Plums	2 cans for	.45
Ontario Cheese	per pound	.30
Japan Tea	2 1-2 pounds	1.10
Matches	2 packages	.35

Remember we sell Cotton Thread—5 spools for 25c.

We will have something new, to offer the public next week. Watch the advt. We want to save you some money.

We want your BUTTER and EGGS, also RAW FURS and HIDES bought at HIGHEST MARKET PRICES.

W. R. BRODIE

IT DOESN'T PAY, BOYS!

Constable Valk was busy this week digging out offenders against the Liquor Act. One conviction on a drunk and disorderly charge was obtained. The accused who pleaded guilty was fined \$20 and costs or thirty days.

Another party paid \$100 and costs for the privilege of selling liquor and a further sum of \$10 and costs for having in his possession a larger quantity of than the law allows.

A Whist Drive, Box Social and Dance will be held at Wm. World's home on February 22. Proceeds to send parcels to the boys at the front. Whist drive starts 8 o'clock sharp. Several good prizes to be given. Admission 50c.

The Great Nelson and His Company are Coming Here

In these days of mediocre theatrical attractions, when the greater majority of theatre goers are satisfied with the more stereotyped style of play—musical comedy, melodrama, and pictures, anything that may be rightfully classed as a "novelty" is more than welcome.

Novelty is the key-note in the amusement world today. Probably no form of entertainment more strongly sustains its popularity than a circus. Next in order to the recognised cir-

cus is the vaudeville circuit. In connection with this phase of the business of entertaining the public it is of interest to note that Empress will be visited on February 20th, by no less a personage than The Great Nelson, and his company of twenty-first century performers.

Performers is the best manner of expressing Nelson's company, for those who are assisting him this season are really "performers" in the truest sense of the word. As an entertainer Nelson himself is a wonder.

For the past three seasons he has been featured over the principle American vaudeville circuits, his work winning him the universal praise of critics everywhere he has appeared. Ample comedy is furnished by some of the funniest comedians on the stage today. James Chapman, principal comedian with the show for years, having been associated with many of the recognised minstrel organizations.

Augustino Duke, Nelson's right hand man, adds a distinctive touch to the performance with his artistic vaudeville novelty act.

The Nelson tour this season embraces as it does, the whole of Canada from coast to coast, is under the personal management of Charles E. Allan.

The Grand Theatre will doubtless be filled to its utmost capacity on February 20th, when the Great Nelson and Company play here.

If you have any farms to list at Right Prices, call and list same with John Cusack. He has the buyers.

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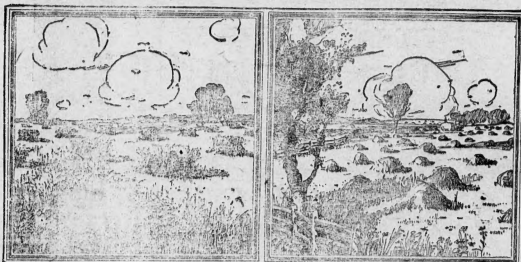
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IT HAS been estimated that five acres of land are required to maintain one horse for a year, and that the same five acres would produce nearly enough feed for two people. If 50,000 Canadian farmers each replaced one horse with a Ford, 250,000 acres would be added to the Nation's source of food supply and enough extra food made available to feed 100,000 people.

Just think what a great service this means to the country at the present time and the benefit to the farmers from the sale of food produced on this acreage.

A Ford car also saves the farmer a week or more of valuable time each year, which can be used for further productive work. The Ford travels three times as fast as a horse and rig—costs less to run and keep, and is far easier to take care of. With labor so scarce and high priced, time means money, so do not delay in getting your Ford.

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MAID MARJORY

BY L. G. MOBERLY

WARD LOCK & CO., LIMITED
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Betty picked up the note and read it through slowly.

"Dear Mother," it ran, "as Geoffrey is best upon giving away his property, and as it would not suit me to marry a poor man, I am going to be married today to Count Gault. He is devoted to me, and will make me happier than Geoffrey would have done. He is very rich. We have made all arrangements to be married quietly by special license this afternoon, and we shall then go abroad. Please send all my thanks which I have packed, to the Lord Warden Hotel, Dover, in the way, but I thought I'd like to take the step without any discussion. Your affectionate daughter, Connie."

"I always thought Connie was a beauty! Now I am sure of it," Connie's younger sister sighed emphatically. "She doesn't care twice about your trouble or for Geoffrey. Geoffrey worships the earth she walks on, and this is the way she treats him. She thinks of him as her own body but herself. Well, mum, it's no use worrying—the thing's done, and worrying won't mend it. Connie is married by now. She laid her plans very cleverly, and carried them out with great ingenuity. She is not worth fretting over; don't let us bother ourselves too much about her."

"It is not only Connie," Mrs. Trevelyan answered, the miscreant deepening. "She has been hanging on her marriage with Geoffrey so much more than she or you knew. And now I am at my wit's end what to do. Connie's latest escapade means ruin to me, about my ruin, and I don't know what to do. That is the plain, horrible truth. I don't know what to do."

CHAPTER XIV.

An Unconscious Confession

"If you dislike me so much, you had better sit to me yourself; you won't be able to call your own portrait, dearest," Leslie said to Meg, with her mischievous laugh, when the girl had been in her room for days. "I have been meaning to make a study of a girl's head and you are well set for my microscope. Don't like what you call 'uncanny work.' Perhaps you will like your own portrait better."

She looked grimly into Meg's face, but her hard eyes softened as they met the glance of those soft brown ones, and her smile seemed to have lost some of its coldness.

Whether because she had not wholly recovered from the shock of her recent illness, or whether the girl's gentle tactfulness had changed her, Leslie had shown a liking for Meg's companionship—a tendency to appeal to, almost to lean upon the newcomer, which was entirely new to her natural habit of keeping all her fellows at a distance. Although she tried to despise herself for what she called her abject weakness, she began to listen for Meg's footfall on the stairs, for the sound of Meg's clear voice singing about the house, she began to take pleasure in watching the slim young form moving about the studio, and in noticing the varying expressions that flitted over the lovely sensitive face.

For the first time for many years, her heart being was making old chords vibrate in her heart, chords that had been silent for many and many a day.

"I want to paint you as 'You,' she went on abruptly, before Meg had time to answer her remark. "You are so alive with it; it really seems to be your chief characteristic, and it may as well be immortalized before those hateful experience kills it and leaves you your and bitter."

"Oh! I hope nothing will ever make me bitter and sour!" Meg exclaimed, the great bunch of orange daisies she was about to put into a vase dropping from her hands upon the table. "I don't see why any should know, however big it is, should make one bitter."

"Supposing your love and your faith were killed, what then? You would feel bitter enough if somebody cut at the root of what you most loved and loved."

Leslie, standing before her, each brush in hand, looked at the girl with a mocking glance.

"It would be terrible if one's love and faith were hurt, but I don't believe even that ought to make one bitter," Meg protested gently. "Don't think real love is ever killed, and if it is big enough and noble enough, nothing can ever turn it to bitterness."

"You are a sentimentalist," Leslie answered shortly. "Have you always been so surrounded by love that you can't even understand what the loss of it might be?"

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motherly kindness, Miss Penny's friendly help. "Everybody is so good to me."

"For those Trevelyan who sent you off at a moment's notice? Leslie asked maliciously. "Do you consider they were good to you? Did they surround you with love? It was a curious kind of affection they showed you."

Meg flushed and laughed.

"Perhaps after all it was rather natural that they should feel annoyed about Mr. Marston's discovery," she answered, "they could not have been pleased about it; and Miss Betty was goodness itself to me; she was always kind and friendly."

"I had better paint you quickly if I mean to paint you at all," Leslie said, with no abrupt change of subject. "If Mr. Marston proves his case, you will go away from here in a very different life. A great big house won't want to stay in a lonely house on the downs. I am not one of the fortunate people in the world; I was made to be deserted and left desolate. Nobody ever wants to stick to me."

Meg left the table and the orange daisies and going quickly to the other book in her hand, she turned back to Leslie's neck.

"When you talk like that," she said vehemently. "When the bitterness comes into your voice and you don't mind me any more, I go away from you, however much I love you. I don't want to be hurt."

And indeed, indeed, I don't think you must say that I were meant to be hurt. I don't believe anybody is meant to be lonely," she spoke with great decision. "But if you are to be lonely, you must be lonely."

"You speak very decidedly," Leslie said half mockingly, half victoriously. "Where do you get your knowledge?"

"I just learn things as I go along," the girl answered quickly, "and I have learnt one thing about you," she added, with a certain secret avowal. "I know someone who would gladly give you happiness if you would let him."

Leslie disengaged herself from the clinging arms about her, but she did it gently, and there was a gentler look in her eyes, though her face expressed surprise, as she said:

"I am very glad to hear that, excepting that you are very sentimental. Someone would gladly give the happiness of his life to a girl who would let him."

"Doctor Thornton," Meg answered decidedly. "When he thinks you are not looking, he looks at you as if he worshipped the very ground you walk on. His eyes seem to eat you up. And you don't give him a scrap of encouragement."

(To Be Continued)

Prohibition and the War

Arguments to Prove That Prohibition is a Vital Necessity

During War Time

"Prohibition has no vital relation to war," said the New York World, in a recent issue. This was written to support the claim that prohibitionists were simply striving to block the food bill with a clause that was not necessary and they were "not concerned with the defeat of Germany."

Well let us see. On what must war depend? On men, and only by means of men can victory be gained. To fight and win, you must be fit. The fitter, a few years ago, renounced drink himself and said that the next war would be won by the nation that drank the least alcohol.

Kitchener and Lord Roberts knew the same thing and in Egypt and South Africa they decreed prohibition for their armies, and won.

The case of Russia realized that the great factor contributing to Russia's defeat in the Russo-Japanese war was drunkenness among his soldiers, and early in the present war decreed prohibition in his empire.

"No vital relation?" "Vital" means life. Success in the conflict depends on the life of men. The clearer the blood, the longer the life, and the firmer the blood the greater the hope of recovery from wounds.

Life begins at home where the babe is born, whence the soldier must come, and where economy of life's forces must begin. If life is not conserved there, war will be a dismal failure.

King George realized this and banished liquor from his household when the war began. Kitchener followed the lead of his king. A host of people in Great Britain are now abstaining from prohibition and insisting that Germany cannot be beaten without whiskey and beer-making are stopped.

If prohibition is good for the soldier and sailor, it is good for the place and people whence they come. Conservation of food (by prohibiting its manufacture into alcohol) to make men who are to make war is in the highest interests of economy.—J. H. Hadden, Department of Social Service.

First Cold—I've lost a diminutive, argumentous, frustrated cone, covers its summit and semi-perforated with symmetrical indentations.

Second Cold—Here's your rhinestone—Medicine Man.

Reader—Have you any modern notion?

Librarian—No, madam; our book buyer has been on a six months' trip—Judge.

War and Food

No. 4

WHEAT

Canada is pre-eminently a land of wheat. Her fields of waving grain have become symbolic in all parts of the world. She is a wheat-exporting country.

Between now and next harvest it will be necessary to deliver on the other side of the Atlantic from 450,000 to 500,000,000 bushels of wheat. Millions of men have been taken from wheat raising and sent into the trenches. Fields have been laid waste by the enemy. Ships bearing precious freight of food have been sunk by submarines.

Crops in other countries have fallen short. Europe is threatened gravely threatened, by famine.

The responsibility, therefore, rests upon the North American continent to make good the deficiency of Europe. The United States has a surplus of wheat to spare over and above her normal consumption. Canada has only from 100,000,000 to 110,000,000 bushels of exportable wheat.

For the people of the United States and Canada are asked to liberate one bushel of wheat to spare over and over to make up part of Europe's deficiency.

This means that consumption must be decreased; that less white bread must be eaten; that substitutes must be adopted. In the simplest analysis it means that three slices of white bread should take the place of four everywhere.

Wheat is undoubtedly the best bread cereal, but other wheat can readily be mixed with wheat flour to make bread. People in Canada can scarcely realize what the shortage of wheat means to Europe. The people of France are almost wholly dependent upon wheat bread. Bread constitutes 52 per cent. of their total food supply. In no better way can Canadian women help their patriotic sister European than by being sparing in their use of white flour.

He seated himself in the grill and made a protracted study of the menu. "Waiter," he said at length, "I have only two dollars with me. Will you recommend me a dish?"

The waiter gently removed the card from the man's hand of the unsophisticated stranger as he replied: "Another restaurant."—The Argonaut.

Jupiter of Enormous Size

Great Planet Is Larger Than All the Others Combined

Jupiter is far the largest of the planets. (Diameter, 84,000 miles.) It is larger, indeed, than all the others combined. How appropriate that this mighty sphere should have such a name! But it is not strange that Venus, which looks so much brighter, was not in prelatistical days called Jupiter? Probably Venus was named first because of its greater brilliancy and in virtue of its conspicuous beauty.

Beauty received the name of the charming goddess, after which the only name worthy of the great planet was now considered as that of the father of the gods.

Jupiter resembled the sun and Saturn in the fact that it is not solid at its surface. Its equatorial regions, like theirs, float somewhat freely over the deeper layers of its body.

Seasons are absent from Jupiter's year, which is equal to about twelve of ours. The jovian day is less than ten hours, or about twenty minutes less than that of Saturn. Bodies weigh about two and a half times as much as on the earth and 200 times more at the poles than at the equator.

Jupiter and the pales of Saturn are the only places in the solar system, away from the sun itself where bodies weigh heavier than on earth.

There are 104½ days in a Jovian year. A point at the earth's equator moves a little more than 1,800 miles per hour, a similar point on Jupiter's equator moves about 26,000 miles per hour.

Jupiter has nine moons. The four largest were discovered by Galileo, being among the very first objects revealed by the aid of the telescope. The latest Jovian moon was discovered in 1914 by means of the photograph, the object being too distant and too small to be seen with the largest telescope.

To Buy Out the Publican

Britain Still Mulling Along on the Drink Question

The commission, presided over by Lord Sumner, which was appointed to consider what should be the terms if state purchase of the liquor trade were adopted in England and Wales, have reported. The commission were expressly precluded, by their terms of reference, from reporting on policy, and therefore do not make any recommendation for or against state purchase.

Their business was to consider how control of the trade could be continued after the war, and the terms of purchase if the government decided on it.

Not Much of a Tale

"It won't be much of a story, will it?"

"When our grandchildren ask us what we did in the great war, and we have to tell them that once a week we went without meat."—Detroit Free Press.

"Pilkiss has, I see, been ostracized by the modern New York Bohemian."

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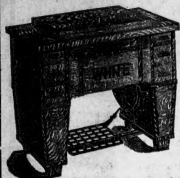
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Local and Personal

Mrs. J. Parker, and daughter, Minnie, of Atlee, are visitors in town.

Mr. J. A. Henderson, returned on Monday, from Kingston, Ont., where he spent the Christmas holidays.

The Rockefeller Foundation has announced its first appropriations of the \$10,000,000 fund to be spent in 1918, including \$150,000 to be used in welfare work in military camps.

The death is reported of Mr. Andrews, of Swift Current, one of the best known travellers on this line. The death is given as being due from the bursting of a blood vessel in the head.

"Economist," London, Eng., says that 1200 industrial companies earned an aggregate profit of \$453,803,020 in 1917, compared with \$403,686,100 in 1916. Land and rubber companies and breweries show the largest advance.

One of the largest real estate deals that has been pulled off in this locality was put through by John Cusack recently, when Elmer Horn purchased the farm of A. Hay for the sum of \$32,000.00.

Mrs. M. G. Boyd, and daughter, Opal and son, Harold, left on Tuesday for Winnipeg. They will meet there Mr. Boyd, who is returning from a holiday trip to the home of his parents in the east.

We are informed that Geo. Hicks, is on his return from France, having been released from active military service. George enlisted under age and since his father's death has been badly needed by his mother, who, except for a younger son, is without support.

On Monday, February 4th, at the Manse, the marriage of Eddie Sands to Cora Severson, both of Atlee, Alta., was solemnized by the Rev. G. G. Fybus. The ceremony was witnessed by Mr. Hersh and Miss Margaret Howard. The young people returned to Atlee, on Tuesday morning.

Frank Ball, the despatch agent in the local C.P.R. depot, left Wednesday on a trip east. Wm. Thompson, who has had past acquaintance here, is relieving during Mr. Ball's absence. Although we have no definite information, it is not expected that Frank will make the return journey alone.

Joseph Pearce, of Swift Current, met his death during a fracas at a poker party, in that city early on Monday morning. Cause of death is given as being due to intoxication and rough handling by some party or parties implicated in a quarrel. As a result of Pearce's death four men are still retained in custody.

Cora Brown, 9-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Brown, had the misfortune on Monday evening, to slip on the ice and in the subsequent fall, break her collar-bone. The child was taken to the hospital at Swift Current, and we are pleased to report is making good progress back to health.

Mrs. H. P. Gregg has been confined to her house, this past week, with sickness.

For the time being, motor tractors under \$1400 in value, are to enter Canada, duty free. The decision has been reached by the government at Ottawa, and the news is of momentous importance to western Canada. The duty at the present time amounts to 25 per cent. or \$200 on an \$800 machine.

Dr. T. C. Baker, formerly of Jenner, arrived in town on Friday. The doctor was immediately required on his arrival to drive out into the country on a case which needed his attention. Dr. Baker has taken up his permanent residence here. His wife will join with him here in the near future.

Announcement made this week says that the Government has made arrangements for the supply of a number of Ford tractors to Canadian farmers. The tractor pulls two ploughs. The price at which they will be sold to the farmer, inclusive of freight, is expected to be about \$800. The tractor will burn either kerosene or gasoline.

The regular monthly meeting of the adult bible class of the United Church, was held on Wednesday evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Peters. The meeting took the form of a social evening, and a programme of music, recitations, etc. was given. Songs were rendered by Miss Hudson and Mrs. G. G. Peters and recitations were given by Miss Deckman, Miss Rivers and Mr. Fybus. Considering the weather a goodly number were present and a very pleasant evening was spent.

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